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MEMORANDUM FOR: National Foreign Intelligence Program Managers
and Service Components

SUBJECT: OMB Budget Allowances and Policy Guidance (U)

1. I have received the attached letter from the Director OMB which provides budget allowances and policy guidance for the National Foreign Intelligence Program. The projections of funding contained in Enclosure B represent an approximate three percent real growth in fiscal year 1981 and lesser increases in fiscal years 1982 and 1983. Such funding levels will dictate continued austerity in view of previous investment commitments. The Resource Guidance which I shall shortly issue will span the OMB projections in its fiscal guidance. (S)

2. Enclosure C reflects the authorized NFIP personnel levels for fiscal years 1979 and 1980. The revised fiscal year 1979 ceilings incorporate the two percent reduction in the civilian work force and the further reductions required by the need for compliance with the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978. (S)

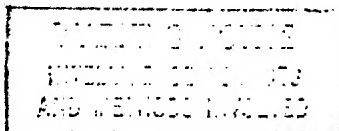
3. As you will note, I have been given the authority by the President to lift the current hiring restrictions for NFIP civilian employment. Therefore, I have determined that both the current hiring freeze and subsequent one-for-two hiring limitations are now lifted but with the provision that your fiscal years 1979 and 1980 civilian end-strengths do not exceed the indicated ceilings. Program Managers who may wish to change from these authorizations, either by functional transfers or augmentation, should propose such changes prior to implementation.


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Attachment:

Letter from Director OMB
W/Enclosures A, B and C
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